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1. PER REF (A), WE ARE REPEATING FOR MISSION REF (C), WHICH TRANSMITS OUR INITIAL IMPRESSIONS OF THE NEW SOVIET CONSTITUTION AND INCLUDES COMMENTS ON PARTS RELEVANT NOT ONLY TO HUMAN RIGHTS BUT THE SOVIET TRADE UNION ORGANIZATION.

2. WITH RESPECT PARTICULARLY TO PARA 1, REF (A), WE CERTAINLY SEE NOTHING IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION OR EXISTING PRACTICE TO INDICATE THAT SOVIET FARM OR OTHER WORKERS HAVE ANY RIGHTS TO ESTABLISH THEIR OWN TRADE UNIONS INDEPENDENT OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY ORGANIZATION. WE UNDERSTAND SOVIETS PLAN TO USE RECENT UNIONIZATION OF COLLECTIVE FARM WORKERS (REF D) TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST ALLEGATIONS OF VIOLATIONS FO CONVENTION NO. 87, BUT WE BELIEVE UNDOUBTED SUBORDINATION OF NEW ORGAINZATION TO THE COMMUNIST PARTY PROVIDES NO SUBSTANCE FOR SOVIET DEFENSE.
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